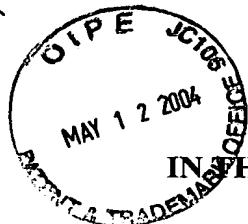


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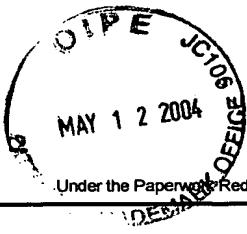
The remarks submitted 04/22/2004 and filed 04/26/2004 are resubmitted herewith at page 10.

Amendment to the specification starts at page 2.

Amendment to claims begins at page 3.

Applicants have renumbered original claims 13-40 to claims 12-39 to correct the oversight of omitting claim 12. Claim 39 (old claim 40) recites a composition recited in one of claims 1-38 (old claims 1-39).

The newly numbered claim 33 (old claim 34) and amended claim 39 may each be construed as a multiple dependent claim. Should it be so construed, claim 39 would then be improperly directly dependent on claim 33 and indirectly depend on claim 34, 35, 36, 37, or 38. Applicant therefore added new claims 40-45 to depend from claims 33-38. Accompanying this amendment is a fee transmittal transmitting fees for 6 additional dependent claims. Should the fee remitted be incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account 04-1928 (E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company) for an appropriate fee.



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